

## QUESTION OF GAME UP TO GEORGETOWN

George Washington Stand  
Stamps Downtown School  
as Thorough Sportsmen.

## WIDE PUBLIC CRY FOR THE CONTEST

West End School Cannot Afford to  
Ignore Demand After Hatch-  
ettes' Action.

By J. R. HILDEBRAND.

Now it is up to Georgetown!  
With the publication of a letter from  
a prominent member of the George  
Washington student body on this page  
today vanishes the last vestige of  
Georgetown's excuse for not meeting  
the Hatchettes in the annual football  
game that has been Washington's foot-  
ball entertainment in Thanksgiving Day  
from time immemorial.

Seldom has a more generous action  
been taken and a more sportsmanlike  
attitude been assumed by a college, and  
if the communication has no further  
results it stamps the downtown uni-  
versity as a thoroughly fair and game  
aggregation of athletes.

The publication in yesterday's Times  
of a statement of facts regarding the  
relations of the two teams, and the  
plain truth in regard to the misleading  
stigma which Georgetown assumes by  
its continued refusal to accept any  
overtures was but the expression of a  
popular demand for this game, and for  
the justification of Georgetown sports-  
manship.

Insistent Demand for Game.

Rarely, even among teams from the  
"Big Four" has there been such a  
unanimous and insistent clamor for the  
meeting of two teams.

Whatever may have been George-  
town's real reasons for breaking off  
with George Washington last season  
its only excuse stated when the action  
was taken was the discourtesy shown  
by certain irresponsible students of the  
downtown school in carrying banners,  
at which the hill top school took of-  
fense.

Whether this was but an ostensible  
reason, for which Georgetown had been  
waiting; that the crime by no means  
deserved the punishment, and that the  
attitude of the west-end school at that  
time was hardly above approach, has  
all been threshed out and does not mat-  
ter now.

Up to Georgetown.

After this most straightforward at-  
tempt on the Hatchettes' part to set  
themselves right with the sporting pub-  
lic and with Georgetown itself, it is  
hard to see how the Blue and Gray can  
fail to come off its perch, and meet  
the downtown school half way.

If it fails to do this it certainly puts  
itself in a most compromising position.  
Everything said yesterday in regard to  
the real opinion of the public in this  
matter, if the teams fail to meet this  
year holds good with redoubled force.  
The Georgetown players were not ac-  
cused of lacking nerve, an impression  
which a morning contemporary seems  
to have gotten from the article in yes-  
terday's Times.

Players Are Willing.

Many members of the Georgetown  
team have declared to the writer that  
they are willing and anxious to stack  
up against the Hatchettes this year.  
The players themselves are as willing  
as their opponents to try conclusions.

It is for this very reason that a hand-  
ful of athletic managers and a member  
or two of the faculty has no right to  
put Georgetown in the position of re-  
fusing to meet its strongest rival for  
the first season in many months when  
that rival has a team that stands a  
chance of beating Georgetown, all be-  
cause of technical reason which has now  
been shattered.

Four Reasons Why.

The wide interest aroused by The  
Times' stand evidences the attitude of  
sport followers toward this question.  
For four good reasons Georgetown  
cannot refuse to play this game:

A college is under some moral obliga-  
tion to meet the demands of a sport-  
ing public that supports its athletics.  
Georgetown owes it to George Wash-  
ington to recognize its eminently sports-  
manlike and generous action.

Georgetown has no right to endanger  
its own athletic prestige by incurring  
the stigma of being afraid.  
It is not a square deal for a few  
members of a temporary athletic coun-  
cil whose term lasts but one year to  
fly in the face of the wishes of Geor-  
getown students and the still larger body  
of Georgetown alumni.

MAPLE MENTION.

Moses & Sons have a clean slate  
in the Commercial Duckpin League,  
and the Royals are rounding to their  
true form in the District Ducks. Captain  
Bowers, of the Royals, says his team  
will meet all comers. A match with  
the Moses team would be a hummer.

It is a pleasure to witness a game  
of billiards when Wade and Wolfe are  
handling the cue. Their style of play  
is entirely different, although evenly  
matched. It will be remembered that  
Wade carried off the honors in their  
match game last winter, and a return  
match will be played at the Palace  
Billiard Parlor upon Wolfe's return  
from Indiana, where he has gone to  
cast his vote.

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## HATCHETTES STAND READY TO FULFILL RIVAL'S DEMAND

Retiring Member of Athletic Council Declares George  
Washington Will Make Overtures in Order to  
Play Georgetown Game.

Sporting Editor Washington Times:

Dear Sir: The large type article in Monday's issue of The Times, under the caption, "What's the Matter With Georgetown?" has just been called to my attention, and while the entire subject of the cessation of athletic relations between the George Washington University and Georgetown University is in some senses a delicate one, it is nevertheless right and proper that the general public shall understand precisely what position is held in the matter by the athletic authorities of the George Washington University. Simply with this object in mind, I ask permission to state the following facts in regard to the controversy which has brought both institutions into such unpleasant notoriety.

1. After Thanksgiving last year it was reported in the newspapers that the authorities at Georgetown University were provoked by what was called the "disgraceful conduct on the football field during and after the football game" at Georgetown between these two institutions. It was not specifically stated that the George Washington students were alone or even mainly guilty of this "disgraceful conduct." That was merely implied. Moreover, the precise nature of this "disgraceful conduct" was not indicated.

2. Athletics at the George Washington University are controlled officially by what is known as the athletic council. All managers of teams act as the representatives of this council, and all charges of any kind whatsoever which have to do with athletics at this university must be brought to the attention of this council.

Now, the athletic council has never been officially in-  
formed by the athletic committee of Georgetown University  
that the athletic relations between the two institutions  
have been broken off.

Nor has the athletic council of the George Washington University  
ever received any complaint, from any official source whatsoever, to the  
effect that students of the George Washington University have any-  
where violated, as such, the rules of gentlemanly and sportsmanlike con-  
duct which should, by common consent, govern athletic contests.

As a member, until last week, of the council, I wish to  
say most emphatically and most unequivocally that the  
council always has been ready, and always is ready, to  
punish any established cases of the violation of such rules,  
and to make, on behalf of the athletic interests of the uni-  
versity, due and formal apology for any breaches of ath-  
letic courtesy of which the students of the university are  
accused with even a semblance of sincerity and justifica-  
tion.

Very truly yours,

E. P. GATES.

Editor-in-Chief "The University Hatchet."

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## Live Wire Topics in the High Schools.

Martin, the Eastern High captain, is  
a tower of strength to his team. He  
is fast, and hits the line for good gains.

Vinton, the Central guard, has de-  
veloped into a punter above the aver-  
age, and will be depended on to do the  
kicking, in case of injury to any of  
the regular booters.

Macon, fullback for the Blacksmiths,  
is a valuable man. He is considered  
one of the best defensive players in the  
high schools, and is in the game from  
the start.

C. Howard, end on the Business eleven  
for the past two years, will again hold  
down his old position, when the team  
lines up against Central tomorrow. He  
was badly hurt in the Technical game,  
and has been unable to play since.

Howard is one of the mainstays on the  
Business team, and his return will add  
much to their strength.

Anderson, who was injured in the  
Technical game, has returned to school,  
and reported for practice. Unless badly  
needed he will not be seen in tomorrow's  
game.

"Micky" Guy, Western's quarter, will  
probably be much in evidence today  
with his trusty boot. Guy is a cracking  
good droppicker and has been dropping  
some over from the 25-yard at difficult  
angles.

Technical coaches have unearthed a  
find in Benson, who plays the backfield.  
His work against the scrubs has been  
excellent, and he appears to improve  
with practice.

## LULL IN PIN STORM PENDING ELECTION

Loyal Rollers Desert the  
Alleys to Go Home  
to Vote.

## QUINTS CRIPPLED BY ABSENT STARS

Sets Postponed in Many Leagues  
Until the Return of Pa-  
triotic Players.

There is a slight lull in the pin storm  
that has swept Washington since the  
present bowling season was inaugurated  
September 21, when the Bureau and  
Commissioners, of the Departmental  
League, started the ball rolling. Nearly  
all the big pin bowlers have stopped  
squeezing for strikes and spares, and  
are now pulling for their "Ellis" or  
home "handing it to him" in more sub-  
stantial fashion.

No whole team has left the city, but  
most of them are so badly crippled by  
absent stars many sets were postponed.  
Among these is the Carroll-Saenger  
bund set on the former's alleys, which  
was booked for Friday night, but has  
been indefinitely postponed. The entire  
team of the Departmental League  
suspended hostilities in October, and will  
not renew them until next Thursday,  
when Navy meets Capitol. The lay-off  
will do the boys good, and after their  
rest some big scores should be hooked up.

Another postponement is the second  
set of the match between Campbell-  
Toboldt vs. Scherman-Machier. The  
popular manager of the Royals left last  
night to cast his ballot in Ohio for  
whichever "Bill" is the best bowler. On  
his return Campbell will again be in the  
District League, this year with his pal  
and opponents in the "grouch match" on  
the Saengers.

## DAILY CROP OF TIMELY GOSSIP FROM FIELD OF AMATEUR SPORT

George Washington Athletes  
Already Active in Plans  
for Track.

It is rumored that the Hatchette track  
management is going to use Crafts, the  
star halfback, in the sprints this win-  
ter. The latter's runs in Saturday's  
game certainly showed he had some  
speed.

The rafters in Convention Hall will  
have to be raised before Jack Sterrett  
can get in his pole vaulting. In his  
practice now he resembles Wright's  
acrobatic.

Connor, as a result of his efforts in  
the cross-country run Saturday, has a  
foot that may keep him quiet for a  
few weeks. He runs too much, anyhow.

They say that Thrall used the game  
Saturday as a practice stunt to work  
up his speed for the pole vault. There  
will be something doing when he and  
Sterrett get together. He beat Jack  
in the Championships last June.

It is said that Byrd was everywhere  
on the football field. That was a mis-  
take, he was wherever the ball hap-  
pened to be.

Israel, the captain of the Maryland  
team, and who was the star for that  
aggregation, is an old Central High  
school boy. The Hatchettes are glad  
there were no more Israels playing  
against them.

MAIN 7400, is the number to call at  
The Times for election returns.

## INTEREST CENTERS ON DE MUND TODAY

Admirers Look for Him to Dispel Impression That He  
Is But a Sprinter—Walden Stake  
Entrants.

By J. H. ANDERSON.

It looks as if Paul Rainey might after  
all get back some of that \$40,000 he ex-  
pended for De Mund.

The son of Goldinch is now showing  
some of that form which was claimed  
for him as a two-year-old, and which  
caused Mr. Rainey to loosen his purse  
strings so liberally. De Mund is certainly  
the crack of the sprinters now at  
Pimlico. Yesterday in the second race  
he made as good a colt as Besom look  
cheap. Indeed, running him into the  
ground in the first quarter. The quarter  
was run in 22 3-5, and the half in 46 3-5,  
certainly great time over a track that  
was three seconds slow to the mile.

De Mund is entered in the sixth race  
this afternoon at a mile, and there will  
be much curiosity to see how he will  
perform at a distance. There is a gen-  
eral impression that he is only a sprinter,  
but it looked yesterday as if he  
could have gone on a mile. He cer-  
tainly finished the three-quarters strong-  
and full of running.

To Race in Cuba.

Horace E., John Marrs, Nick Stoner,  
and three others, the property of Roy  
Rainey, have been leased to B. Kelly,  
and will be sent in charge of W. Con-  
roy to race in Cuba. This bunch cost  
Mr. Rainey a pretty penny. He gave  
up \$25,000 for Horace E., and \$12,000 for  
John Marr, and has never got anything  
back from them worth speaking about.

The race for the Walden Stake, the  
fifth on the card this afternoon, brings  
together the best bunch of two-year-olds  
ever seen at Pimlico. Trance, States-  
man, Wapona, Takahira, Rosfonton,  
Connaught Ranger, Michael Beck, and  
Cunning are all youngsters far above  
the average. Trance is one of the very  
best fillies of the year, and will prob-  
ably go to the post favorite this after-  
noon.

Statesman, a rare good one in the  
mud, beat Trance last Thursday,  
but the wise ones say he will not be  
able to repeat the trick in good going.  
David Dunlop's Takahira has been a  
very consistent winner all through the  
season, and is ready and fit to run a  
good race this afternoon. Wapona is  
Jimmy McLaughlin's good two-year-old  
which won Saturday at Jamaica. Mich-  
ael Beck, Connaught Ranger, Cunning,  
have all run well at this meeting, and  
are fit and ready.

An Added Attraction.

The association will put on an extra  
race Friday that will appeal strongly  
to the Baltimore public. It is a pink-  
oost steeplechase, at two miles, for  
four-year-olds and upward, hunters.  
Starters to be the property of members  
of a recognized hunt club of Maryland,  
Virginia, or the District of Columbia  
for at least sixty days before the race, to  
be ridden by gentlemen holding certi-  
ficates from the National Steeplechase  
and Hunt Association, or members of  
a recognized hunt.

This should be a race worth going  
miles to see. It will be no comic opera  
affair, like so many of the same events  
given at Benning. With the Green  
Spring Valley, Patapsco, and Elkridge  
Hunts to draw from in Maryland, and  
the Virginia and District of Columbia  
clubs, there will be abundant material  
for a splendid entry list. The gentle-  
men of these hunts know how to ride,  
and there is sure to be a great contest.  
Goldstein's Classy Riding.

With McCarthy out of the way, Gold-  
stein seems in a fair way to come out  
at the head of the jockey list for this  
meeting. He rode two winners yes-  
terday, making his total up to date  
seven at Benning. With the Green  
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Well, the indoor game gets its start  
on Saturday next. Y. M. C. A. vs.  
Central branch, of Baltimore. This is  
the formal opening of the sport in this  
city, and elaborate preparations are be-  
ing made for the event. The local team  
is right up to the minute and thor-  
oughly worked out for the fray. It is  
confident of creditable returns.

Captain Edwards blew his men to a  
smoker last Friday, and all made merry.  
The basketball situation was discussed  
and noses counted showing only one  
in last year's team missing, and half a  
dozen capable ones for the vacant po-  
sition.

Nothing has yet been heard of that  
section B league of last year.

Basketball Promoters Count  
Noses Before Forming  
Leagues for Winter.

Two new men in college have donned  
football uniforms. They are Metaker,  
of Washington State University, and  
Sheridan, of Lehigh. The former is  
an all-around football man, and will be  
tried out in the coming game. He is  
fast and steady, and Nelson thinks  
he will be a valuable addition to his  
squad.

The latter man, Sheridan, is an all-  
round athlete. He is a powerful fellow  
and weighs in the neighborhood of 200.  
His work at fullback has been care-  
fully watched during the past few  
scrimmages, and it is not improbable  
that he will be given a chance at the  
position Saturday. His weight will  
make him an important factor in  
backing the heavy Washington and  
Lee line, though he will have to go  
some to offset Thrall's punting ability.

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## DON BATTLE TOGS FOR COMING FRAY

George Washington Whips  
Men Into Shape for Wash-  
ington and Lee.

## SQUAD CRIPPLED, FULL OF GINGER

Fear Team Is Stale From Lack of  
Light Practice—Two  
New Recruits.

George Washington University is now  
preparing for the hardest championship  
game of its season, in the contest with  
Washington and Lee Saturday. Little  
need be said concerning the latter team,  
which has a way of upsetting the dope-  
sheet's calculations.

The Hatchettes are confident of tak-  
ing their opponents' scalp in the com-  
ing game, and on form at least have a  
good chance to do so. While they take  
off their hats to Fuerstein, the star  
quarterback from Lexington, they have  
reason to place full confidence in Byrd,  
whose bad wrist is now about well,  
though still troublesome at times.  
Matching the team man for man, the  
Capital aggregation has no hesitation  
in declaring that it has the better of  
the comparison.

As an offset to that, however, is the  
fact that the men are unquestionably a  
little stale, and need light work for a  
few days to get them back into the  
desired condition.

Sommers Badly Bruised.

Sommers, the mighty captain and  
tackle, is badly bruised as a result of  
Saturday's game, and will have to be  
carefully handled between now and the  
coming contest. Craft's leg, which is  
always being pulled by some delirious  
opponent—though the former declares  
most fervently that his pocketbook is in  
the condition of the typical college stu-  
dent's—is a little on the wane, and Coach  
Nelson intends to use his star brace  
field runner gingerly for the rest of the  
week.

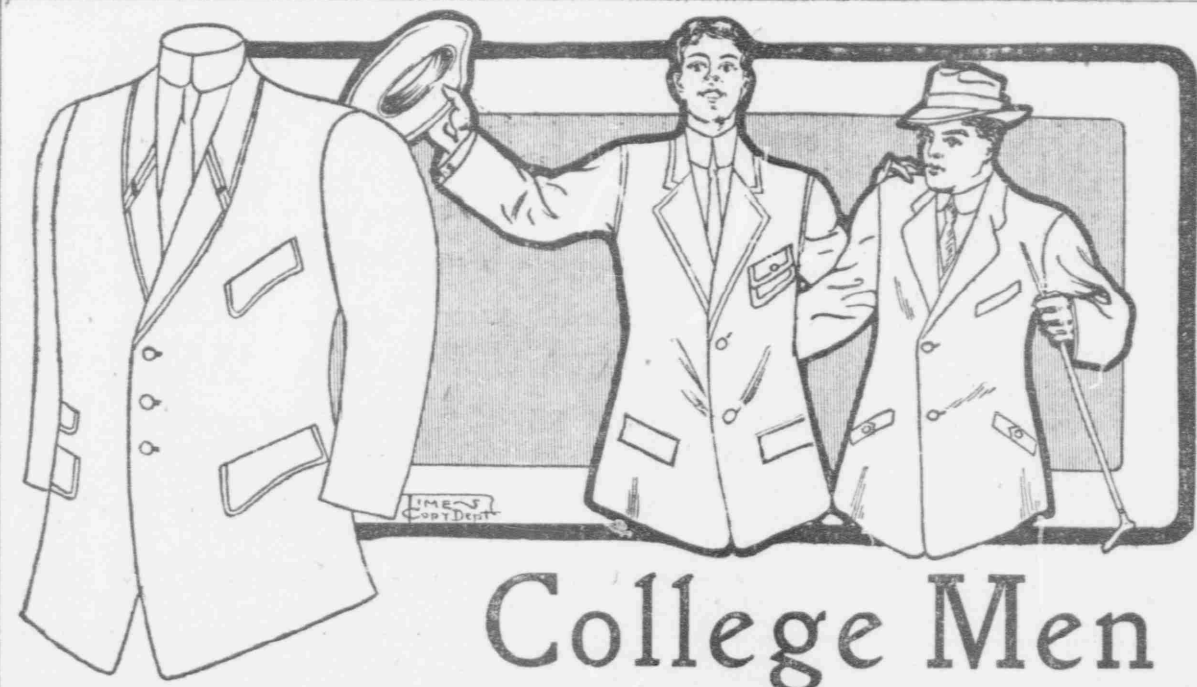
None of the rest of the team has any-  
thing the matter with them, except for  
the slight staleness, which is not to be  
wondered at considering the way they  
have been piling up scores for the past  
few weeks.

Report for Practice.

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